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PHILIP E. GEIGER NAMED ONE OF THE TOP 25 NEWMAKERS 2002

The editors of *Engineering News Record* named Dr. Philip E. Geiger, executive director of the Arizona School Facilities Board, one of the "Top 25 Newsmakers 2002" for his work in Arizona's schools covered by the magazine in 2001. Specifically, Geiger was cited for the following achievements:

By bringing the information technology revolution to a \$1.1-billion, three-year statewide school renovation program **Philip E. Geiger**, executive director of the Arizona School Facilities Board, is helping state officials, control costs and keep on schedule over 6,300 concurrent projects at 1,210 schools. The process, the first of its type in the U.S., also is being used for a \$1.1-billion new school construction program. Geiger conceived of a large Web-based extranet, created using off-the-shelf software, to link all 228 school districts with architects, contractors, and state supervisors to promote project collaboration and ensure efficient management. The extranet minimizes paperwork and supports central control, facilitating decision-making, bid letting and prompt pay.

Geiger and the other top newsmakers, including U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Christine Todd Whitman, will be honored at lunch and dinner events on April 18, 2002 at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in New York City. One of them will receive the Award of Excellence, ENR's highest honor, and will be the subject of a cover story in the magazine's April 22 issue.

The complete list of ENR's "Top 25 Newsmakers 2002" follows:

James Abadie, Robert G. Berger, John Burland, Michael Burton, Donald R. Carson, Warren G. Clary, Anthony Del Vescovo, Henry A. Edwardo, Dan M. Fraunfelter, Philip E. Geiger, Douglas P. Gillingham, Ramon Gilsanz, John H. Kissinger, Michael Lembo, Pablo Lopez, Daniel R. McDermott, Damian Murphy, Frank A. Nicotera, Ronald W. Oakley, Steven C. Sands, Terry Strobel, Jean-Paul Teyssandier, Dean Tills, Christine T. Whitman, and George E. Wittich.